REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	11 February 2004
Name of applicant/court:	The District Court at Auckland
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	cooldevices03.avi
Other Known Title(s):	Operation 3 Lover Doll / Fuyuno Mizugi Winter Swimsuit / Enema
Director(s):	Not Stated
Producer(s):	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author(s):	Not Applicable
Format:	Computer Moving Image File
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language(s):	Japanese with English subtitles

Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	cooldevices03.avi	Running Time:	21.11
Trailers:	Nil	Running Time:	
		Total Running Time:	21.11

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer moving image file entitled *cooldevices03.avi* is classified as: Objectionable.

The computer moving image file contains a Japanese animated cartoon or "anime". The cartoon is an instalment in the "Cool Devices" series of "hentai" (sexually explicit) video recordings dating back to the 1990s. The material has been transferred into a computer moving image file. It consists of three unrelated episodes with minimal plots. The focus of the publication is on explicitly depicting non-consensual sexual and sadomasochistic activity in a salacious manner.

The publication promotes and supports the use of violence and coercion to compel women to participate in, and submit to, sexual conduct. It does this by presenting the use of violence and coercion to force women to submit to sexual conduct as sexually arousing. It also promotes and supports the infliction of extreme cruelty. It shows women subjected to acts of extreme cruelty, causing them distress and suffering, in a salacious manner also intended for viewer sexual arousal.

The publication meets criteria under s3(2)(b) and s3(2)(f) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993, and is therefore deemed to be objectionable. A classification of objectionable interferes with the right to the freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, in relation to this publication, the classification is considered to be a reasonable limit prescribed by law that can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

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